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II. Convergence

I.1 Nets

Def Let $(x_n) \subset X$ be a sequence, $x \in X$. We say that (x_n) converges to x (and write $x_n \rightarrow x$ or $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$) if

$$\forall U \in \mathcal{U}(x) \quad \exists n_0 : \forall n \geq n_0 \quad x_n \in U.$$



[Ex] $\prod_{r \in \mathbb{R}} \mathbb{R}$ with product topology. Then (Exerc.)
 $f_n \rightarrow f \Leftrightarrow f_n(s) \rightarrow f(s) \quad \forall s \in \mathbb{R}$ (pointwise conv.)

since a neighb. basis of f is

(Exerc.) $\mathcal{U}_{\varepsilon, s_1, \dots, s_k} := \{g : |f(s_j) - g(s_j)| < \varepsilon \quad \forall j \in \{1, \dots, k\}\}$
 $g(s_j) \in (f(s_j) - \varepsilon, f(s_j) + \varepsilon)$
 open interval

(Exerc.) Go through all examples of TS and think what $x_n \rightarrow x$ means there.

[Ex] Indiscrete top.: all seq. converge (to any point)
 Discrete top.: only constant seq. from some n_0 conv.

Recall For X, Y metric spaces we have:

(a) For $A \subset X$ and $x \in X$

$$x \in \bar{A} \Leftrightarrow \exists (x_n) \subset A \text{ with } x_n \rightarrow x$$

(b) $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous at $x \in X \Leftrightarrow \forall (x_n) \subset X$

$$x_n \rightarrow x \Rightarrow f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x) \quad (\text{sequential continuity})$$

Prop. Let (X, τ) be a TS s.t. $\forall x \in X$ has countable neighb. basis. Then (a) and (b) hold, i.e., closure and continuity can be characterised via sequences.

Proof Let $x \in X$ and (U_n) a count. neighb. basis for x .

WLOG

$U_1 \supset U_2 \supset U_3 \dots$ (otherwise $V_1 := U_1, V_2 := U_2 \cap U_1, \dots$)

without loss of generality

(a) $x \in \bar{A} \Leftrightarrow \forall U \in \mathcal{U}(x) \quad \exists y \in A \cap U$

$\Leftrightarrow \forall n \quad \exists x_n \in A \cap U_n \Leftrightarrow \exists (x_n) \subset A : x_n \rightarrow x$
 neighb. basis U_n

(b) (Exerc.)

Rem. if $\mathcal{U}(x)$ does not have a countable basis, then it might happen that only eventually const. seq. converge (too many neighb.)

(then $\forall f$ is seq. continuous)
[Ex] $X = \mathbb{R}, \tau := \{A : \mathbb{R} \setminus A \text{ is at most countable}\} \cup \{\emptyset\}$

$f := \mathbb{1}_\mathbb{N}$ is not cont. because

$$f^{-1}(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}) = \mathbb{N}$$

Now, $x_n \rightarrow x$ only if $x_n = x \forall n \geq n_0$, so f is sequentially continuous.
 $U := \mathbb{R} \setminus \{x_n : x_n \neq x\}$ *open* *not open!* *some*



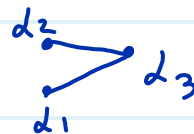
So one needs convergence of different ("larger") objects (for different, "larger" index set)

Def Let I be a set with $\leq$ relation on I . Then I (or the pair $(I, \leq)$) is called directed if:

$$(I1) \quad d \leq d \quad \forall d \in I \text{ (reflexivity)}$$

$$(I2) \quad \left. \begin{matrix} d_1 \leq d_2 \\ d_2 \leq d_3 \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow d_1 \leq d_3 \text{ (transitivity)}$$

$$(I3) \quad \forall d_1, d_2 \in I \quad \exists d_3 \in I \text{ with } d_1 \leq d_3, d_2 \leq d_3$$



We def. $d_1 < d_2$ if $d_1 \leq d_2$ and $d_2 \not\leq d_1$.

Ex 1) I totally ordered $\Rightarrow$ directed ($d_3 = d_1$ or d_2)
 So $(\mathbb{N}, \leq), (\mathbb{Z}, \leq), (\mathbb{R}, \leq), (\mathbb{Q}, \leq), ((0,1), \leq)$

2) A tree I



with $d_1 \leq d_2$ if d_1 and d_2 are connected by a "vertical" path and d_2 is "above" d_1 .

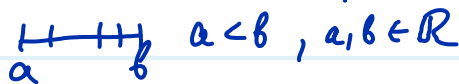
3) Let (X, τ) be a TS and $x \in X$. Then

$$(\mathcal{U}(x), \supset)$$

is a directed set. (I1), (I2) clear, for (I3)

$$\forall U, V \in \mathcal{U}(x) \text{ we have } U \cap V \subset U, U \cap V \subset V$$

4) $\mathcal{P} := \{ \text{partitions } a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b \text{ of } (a, b) \}$



with " $<$ "

(for (I3)) take the union (refinement) of two parts.

Def 1) A net (or Moore-Schmidt sequence) in a set $X_{\neq \emptyset}$ is a map

Netze in German

$$f: I \rightarrow X,$$

where I is an (arbitrary) directed set.

We write $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ instead of $\alpha \mapsto x_\alpha$

2) A net $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I} \subset X$, (X, τ) a TS, is called convergent to $x \in X$ if

$$\forall U \in \mathcal{U}(x) \quad \exists \alpha_0 \in I : \forall \alpha \geq \alpha_0 \quad x_\alpha \in U.$$

Write: $x_\alpha \xrightarrow{\alpha \in I} x$ or $\lim_{\alpha \in I} x_\alpha = x$



Ex 1) $\forall$ sequence is a net ($I := \mathbb{N}$ directed) and conv. is the same

2) $(x_r)_{r \in \mathbb{R}} \subset \mathbb{R}$ a net conv. to x :

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists R_0: \forall r \in [R_0, \infty) \quad |x_r - x| < \varepsilon$$

3) let $\mathcal{P} := \{\text{partitions of } [a, b]\}$ with c

let $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ bounded. Then $(\overline{S}_p)_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \subset \mathbb{R}$ for

$$\overline{S}_p := \sum_{j=1}^n (x_j - x_{j-1}) \sup \{f(x) : x \in [x_{j-1}, x_j]\}$$

is a net in $\mathbb{R}$. Also $(\underline{S}_p)_{p \in \mathcal{P}} \subset \mathbb{R}$ for

$$\underline{S}_p := -|| - \inf -|| -$$

is a net in $\mathbb{R}$.

exerc. f is Riemann integr. $\Leftrightarrow (\overline{S}_p)_{p \in \mathcal{P}}$ and $(\underline{S}_p)_{p \in \mathcal{P}}$ converge to the same $f \in \mathbb{R}$. In this case $c = \int_a^b f$

4) let (X, τ) be a TS, $x \in X$. Choose $\forall U \in \mathcal{V}(x) \quad x_n \in U$. Then $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a net.

Thm. let X, Y be TS and $x \in X$.

(a) For $A \subset X$

$$x \in \overline{A} \Leftrightarrow \exists \text{ net } (x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I} \subset A \text{ with } x_\alpha \rightarrow x$$

(b) $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous at $x \Leftrightarrow \forall \text{ net } (x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$
 $x_\alpha \rightarrow x \Rightarrow f(x_\alpha) \rightarrow f(x)$

Proof (a) $\Leftarrow$ let $x_\alpha \rightarrow x$, then $\forall U \in \mathcal{V}(x) \exists \alpha$ with $x_\alpha \in U \cap A$, so $x \in \overline{A}$

$\Rightarrow$ $\forall U \in \mathcal{V}(x)$ let $x_\alpha \in A \cap U$. We have

- $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in \mathcal{V}(x)}$ is a net in A
- let $U \in \mathcal{V}(x)$ and $\alpha_0 := U$. Then

$$\forall \alpha \geq \alpha_0 \quad x_\alpha \in U_\alpha \subset U, \text{ so } x_\alpha \xrightarrow{\alpha \in \mathcal{V}(x)} x$$



(b) **exerc.**

Recall $(x_n) \subset X$ a seq., $m: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \nearrow$, then $(x_{m(n)})_{n=1}^\infty$ is a subseq.

Def let $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I} \subset X$ be a net, $(K, \leq)$ a directed set and

$m: K \rightarrow I$ monotone $\nearrow$

$$k_1 \leq k_2 \Rightarrow m(k_1) \leq m(k_2) \quad \forall \alpha \in I \exists k_0 \in K: \forall k \geq k_0 \quad m(k) \geq \alpha$$

Then the net $(x_{m(k)})_{k \in K}$ is called a subnet of (x_α)

exerc.

Rem. A subnet of a sequence is not a sequence in general.

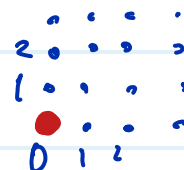


[Ex] Let $x: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow X$ be a seq. in X .
 $m: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ with $m(r) := \min \{n \in \mathbb{N} : r \leq n\} = \lceil r \rceil$

Then $(x_{m(r)})_{r \in \mathbb{R}}$ is a subnet of (x_n) but a seq. 

[Exerc.] $x_k \rightarrow x$
 $(x_{m(k)})_{k \in K}$ a subnet of (x_k) $\Rightarrow x_{m(k)} \rightarrow x$

[Ex] Consider $X := \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$ with τ , where



(1) $\tau|_{(\mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0) \setminus \{(0,0)\}} = \text{discrete top. on } (\mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0) \setminus \{(0,0)\}$

(2) $U \subset \mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0$ is a neighb. of $(0,0)$ if
 $(0,0) \in U$ and for all but finitely many $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$
 $\{n \in \mathbb{N}_0 : (n, m) \notin U\}$ is finite.

(3) $\nexists (x_n)_n \subset X \setminus \{(0,0)\}$ with $x_n \rightarrow (0,0)$

Assume $\exists x_n \rightarrow (0,0)$, then $\forall m \exists$ at most finitely many elements in $m \times \mathbb{N}_0$ (take $U := \{(\tilde{m}, \tilde{n}) : \tilde{m} \neq m\}$)
 So $U := (\mathbb{N}_0 \times \mathbb{N}_0) \setminus (x_n)$ is open and $\ni (0,0)$

(4) The seq. $(x_n) \subset X \setminus \{(0,0)\}$ taking all values of $X \setminus \{(0,0)\}$ has $(0,0)$ as a limit point (why?),
 but $\nexists$ conv. subsequence by (3) (subnet yes!)

II.2. Filters

Alternative notion of convergence, introduced by Nicolas Bourbaki (pseudonym for a group founded 1934 by Weil and Cartan)

[Def] Let $X \neq \emptyset$ be a set. A system $\mathcal{F}$ of subsets of X is called filter if

(F1) $\emptyset \notin \mathcal{F}$, $X \in \mathcal{F}$ equiv., $\mathcal{F} \neq \emptyset$

(F2) $F_1, F_2 \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow F_1 \cap F_2 \in \mathcal{F}$ (finite intersection property)

(F3) $F \in \mathcal{F}$, $F' \supset F \Rightarrow F' \in \mathcal{F}$ (supersets belong to $\mathcal{F}$)

A filter $\mathcal{F}$ is called free if $\bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}} F = \emptyset$, otherwise fixed. (Obermengen i. German)

[Ex] 0) Trivial filter $\{X\}$

1) Let $\emptyset \neq A \subset X$, then

$$\mathcal{F}_A := \{F \subset X \text{ with } A \subset F\}$$

is a fixed filter with $\bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}} F = A$

2) Let (X, τ) be a TS and $x \in X$. Then

$$\mathcal{F}_x := \{V \subset X : \exists U \in \tau(x) \text{ with } U \subset V\}$$

-supersets of neighb. of x .

i) a fixed filter $(x \in \bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}} F)$, called the neighbourhood filter of x

3) The filter

$$\mathcal{F} := \{V \subset \mathbb{R} : (a, \infty) \subset V \text{ for some } a \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

is sometimes called Fréchet filter on $\mathbb{R}$

4) For an infinite set X , the cofinite filter is

$$\mathcal{F} := \{A : X \setminus A \text{ is finite}\}$$

Def A subset $\mathcal{B}$ of $\mathcal{F}$ is called basis for $\mathcal{F}$ if

$$\forall F \in \mathcal{F} \exists B \in \mathcal{B} \text{ with } B \subset F.$$

Rem. 1) $\mathcal{B}$ is a filter basis $\Leftrightarrow \forall B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{B} \exists B_3 \in \mathcal{B}$
with $B_3 \subset B_1 \cap B_2$ (exerc.)

2) A filter is defined uniquely by its basis, (basis not unique!)

$$\text{namely } \mathcal{F} := \{F \supset B, B \in \mathcal{B}\}$$

Ex 1) $\{A\}$ is a filter basis for $\mathcal{F}_A$

2) $\mathcal{B} := \{(a, \infty) : a \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is a basis for the Fréchet filter

Def 1) Let $\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2$ filter on X . $\mathcal{F}_1$ is called finer than $\mathcal{F}_2$
(and $\mathcal{F}_2$ coarser than $\mathcal{F}_1$) if $\mathcal{F}_1 \supset \mathcal{F}_2$

2) A filter $\mathcal{F}$ on X is called ultrafilter if it is maximal
w.r.t. inclusion, i.e., $\nexists \tilde{\mathcal{F}} \neq \mathcal{F}$ with $\tilde{\mathcal{F}} \supset \mathcal{F}$

with respect to

Ex $\mathcal{F}_A$ is an ultrafilter $\Leftrightarrow A = \{x\}$ for some x

Prop (Properties of ultrafilters)

(a) $\forall$ filter $\mathcal{F}$ is contained in an ultrafilter

(b) $\mathcal{F}$ ultrafilter $\Leftrightarrow \forall A \subset X \quad A \in \mathcal{F} \text{ or } X \setminus A \in \mathcal{F}$

(c) $\mathcal{F}$ ultrafilter $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_{\{x\}}$ for some $x \in X$

Proof (a) Consider $\mathcal{Q} := \{\text{all filters on } X \supset \mathcal{F}\}$ with " $\subset$ "
Let $(\mathcal{P}_2)$ be a totally ordered subset of $\mathcal{Q}$, then

$\bigcup \mathcal{P}_2$ is also a filter $\supset \mathcal{F}$ (why?), so it is in $\mathcal{Q}$.

Lemma of Zorn: $\exists$ maximal element which is an ultrafilter then $\supset \mathcal{F}$.

(b) $\Rightarrow$ hence $A \cap (X \setminus A) = \emptyset$, $\exists F_1, F_2 \in \mathcal{F}$: $F_1 \subset A, F_2 \subset X \setminus A$
 So $(\forall F \in \mathcal{F} \ F \cap A \neq \emptyset)$ or $(\forall F \in \mathcal{F} \ F \cap (X \setminus A) \neq \emptyset)$

Consider WLOG
 $\mathcal{B} := \{F \cap A, F \in \mathcal{F}\} \sim$ with $\tilde{\mathcal{F}} \supset \mathcal{F}$
 which is a basis for a filter $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}$ with $\tilde{\mathcal{F}} \supset \mathcal{F}$
 But $\mathcal{F}$ is ultrafilter, so $\tilde{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{F}$ and so $A = A \cap X \in \mathcal{F}$

(c) $\Leftarrow$ Assume $\forall A \subset X \ A \in \mathcal{F}$ or $X \setminus A \in \mathcal{F}$ for a filter $\mathcal{F}$

Assume $\mathcal{F}$ not maximal, so $\exists \tilde{\mathcal{F}} \supset \mathcal{F}$, so $\exists G \in \tilde{\mathcal{F}} \setminus \mathcal{F}$

By assumption, $G \in \mathcal{F}$ or $X \setminus G \in \mathcal{F}$
 $\underbrace{G \in \mathcal{F}}_{G \in \tilde{\mathcal{F}} \setminus \mathcal{F}}$ or $\underbrace{X \setminus G \in \mathcal{F}}_{\text{since } G \in \tilde{\mathcal{F}} \text{ and then } G \cap (X \setminus G) \in \mathcal{F}}$

(c) $\Leftarrow$ clear

$\Rightarrow$ $\mathcal{F}$ fixed $\Rightarrow A := \bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}} F \neq \emptyset$

Assume $|A| \geq 2$ and consider $A_1 \subsetneq A$ non-empty.

By (b) $A_1 \in \mathcal{F}$ or $X \setminus A_1 \in \mathcal{F}$,
 $\downarrow$ to def. of A $\downarrow$ to def. of A

So $|A| = 1$.

Def Let (X, τ) be a TS and $\mathcal{F}$ a filter on X . A point $x \in X$ is called
 • limit of $\mathcal{F}$ if $\mathcal{F} \supset \mathcal{U}(x)$. One says: $\mathcal{F}$ converges to x , write $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$.

• cluster point of $\mathcal{F}$ if $\forall U \in \mathcal{U}(x) \ \forall F \in \mathcal{F} \ F \cap U \neq \emptyset$
accumulation point



Rem. a) limit is not unique in general ($\mathcal{F} := \{X\}$)

exerc. $\forall \mathcal{F}$ on X has at most 1 limit $\Leftrightarrow X$ is Hausdorff (the same for nets)

b) The set of all cluster points of $\mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}} F$ **exerc.**

c) A point x is a limit $\Rightarrow$ cluster point **exerc.**

Ex (a) Let $(x_n) \subset X$ be a seq. The corresponding filter is def. by

$$\mathcal{F} := \{F \supset \{x_n, x_{n+1}, \dots\} \text{ for some } n\}$$

such filter is called elementary filter (tail of (x_n))

Elementarfilter is German.

Exerc.

1) $\mathcal{F}$ is a filter

2) $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x \Leftrightarrow x_n \rightarrow x$

3) x is a cluster point of $\mathcal{F} \Leftrightarrow x$ accumulation point of (x_n)

(b) The Fréchet filter on $\mathbb{R}$ has no cluster points
 (=) no limit
 ← exerc.

(c) Let (X, τ) be a TS, $A \subset X$, $\mathcal{F}_A := \{ \text{sets } \supset A \}$
 Then $\overline{A} = \{ \text{cluster points of } \mathcal{F} \}$ exerc.

(d) Def. $\mathcal{F}$ on $\mathbb{R}$ by
 $\mathcal{F} := \{ \text{sets } \supset (0, \frac{1}{n}) \text{ for some } n \}$

(i.e., $(0, \frac{1}{n})_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is a basis of $\mathcal{F}$)

Then $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow 0$ ($\forall U \in \mathcal{U}(0) \exists n: (0, \frac{1}{n}) \subset U$)
 for euclidean top. on $\mathbb{R}$

Prop. Let (X, τ) be TS, $\mathcal{F}$ filter on X , $x \in X$. Then
 x is a cluster point of $\mathcal{F}$ ($\Rightarrow$) $\exists \mathcal{G} \supset \mathcal{F}$, $\mathcal{G}$ filter with
 $\mathcal{G} \rightarrow x$.

Proof $\Rightarrow$ Def. $\mathcal{G}$ by the basis

$$\mathcal{U}(x) \cap \mathcal{F} = \{ U \cap F, U \in \mathcal{U}(x), F \in \mathcal{F} \}$$

(filter basis since $\neq \emptyset$ by assumption and $(U_1 \cap F_1) \cap (U_2 \cap F_2) = (U_1 \cap U_2) \cap (F_1 \cap F_2)$
 $\in \mathcal{U}(x) \cap \mathcal{F}$)

Then:
 • $\mathcal{G} \supset \mathcal{F}$ (superset property)
 • $\mathcal{G} \rightarrow x$ because $\forall U \in \mathcal{U}(x) \quad U = U \cap X \in \mathcal{G}$
 $\in \mathcal{F}$

$\Leftarrow$ Let $\mathcal{G} \rightarrow x$ with $\mathcal{G} \supset \mathcal{F}$. Then $\mathcal{U}(x) \subset \mathcal{G}$,
 so $U \cap F \neq \emptyset \quad \forall U \in \mathcal{U}(x) \quad \forall F \in \mathcal{F}$ and $\mathcal{G}$ is a filter

Rem. Finer filters are analogue to subnets/subseq.

Def Let X, Y be a TS, $f: X \rightarrow Y$ and $\mathcal{F}$ a filter on X $\overset{x}{O} \xrightarrow{f} \overset{y}{O}$
 Then the filter on Y with basis $\{ f(F) : F \in \mathcal{F} \}$ is called
 the image filter of $\mathcal{F}$ under f . We write $f(\mathcal{F})$.
 Bildfilter i.G.

Rem. Filter basis by $f(F_1) \cap f(F_2) \supset f(F_1 \cap F_2) \quad \forall F_1, F_2 \in \mathcal{F}$

Prop. Let X, Y be a TS and $A \subset X$.

(a) $x \in \overline{A} \Leftrightarrow \exists$ filter $\mathcal{F}$ on X with $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$ and $A \in \mathcal{F}$

(b) A map $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is continuous $\Leftrightarrow \forall$ filter $\mathcal{F}$ on X $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x \Rightarrow f(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow f(x)$

Proof (a) $\Rightarrow$ Let $x \in \overline{A}$. Then

$$\mathcal{B} := \{ A \cap U, U \in \mathcal{U}(x) \}$$

is a basis of a filter $\mathcal{F}$. $\neq \emptyset$ by assumption

Clear: $A \in \mathcal{F}$ and $\mathcal{U}(x) \subset \mathcal{F}$ by the superset property of filters.

$\Leftarrow$ Let $\mathcal{F} \ni A$, $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$. Then x is a cluster point of $\mathcal{F}$, i.e.,
 $x \in \bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \overline{F} \subset \overline{A}$ because $A \in \mathcal{F}$

(b) $\Rightarrow$ Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be cont. at x , $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$

Let $V \in \mathcal{U}(f(x))$. Then $f^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{U}(x)$ by continuity of f
 so $f^{-1}(V) \in \mathcal{F}$ and $V \in f(\mathcal{F})$

$\Leftarrow$ Assume $\forall \mathcal{F} \mathcal{F} \rightarrow x \Rightarrow f(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow f(x)$.

Consider $\mathcal{F} := \{ \text{sets } \supset \text{neighb. of } x \}$. Then $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$.

By assumption $f(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow f(x)$, so $\mathcal{U}(f(x)) \subset f(\mathcal{F})$,

i.e., $\forall V \in \mathcal{U}(f(x)) \exists U \in \mathcal{U}(x)$ with $f(U) \subset V$

Rem. let $f: X \rightarrow Y$, $\mathcal{F}$ is a filter on Y . Then $f^{-1}(\mathcal{F})$, $F \in \mathcal{F}$
 generate a filter (called preimage filter) on X
 $\Leftrightarrow f^{-1}(F) \neq \emptyset \quad \forall F \in \mathcal{F}$

II.3. Nets via filters

Nets $\leadsto$ filters let $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ be a net in X . Then the "tails"

$$E_{\alpha_0} := \{x_\alpha : \alpha \geq \alpha_0\}, \quad \alpha_0 \in I$$

generate a filter $\mathcal{F}$ as a basis (why?). One has:

$$x_\alpha \rightarrow x \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow x \quad (\text{exem.})$$

Filters $\leadsto$ nets let $\mathcal{F}$ be a filter on X . Def.

$$I := \{ (F, y) : F \in \mathcal{F}, y \in F \}$$

with the direction given by

$$(F_1, y_1) \leq (F_2, y_2) \Leftrightarrow F_2 \subset F_1$$

(why is I directed?)

Define the net $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ by

$$x_{(F, y)} := y$$

Claim : $x_\alpha \rightarrow x \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow x$.

Proof

$$x_\alpha \rightarrow x \Leftrightarrow \forall U \in \mathcal{U}(x) \exists \alpha_0 = (F_0, y_0) \in I : \\ \forall \alpha = (F, y) \geq (F_0, y_0) \quad x_\alpha = y \in U$$

$$\forall F \subset F_0 \quad \forall y \in F$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall U \in \mathcal{U}(x) \quad \forall F \subset F_0 \quad F \subset U \Leftrightarrow F_0 \subset U$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall U \in \mathcal{U}(x) \exists F_0 \in \mathcal{F} : F_0 \subset U$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{U}(x) \subset \mathcal{F} \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow x.$$

Rem. The analogue of ultrafilters are so-called universal nets,
 where $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ is called universal if

$$\forall A \subset X \exists \alpha_0 \in I :$$

$$(\forall \alpha \geq \alpha_0 \quad x_\alpha \in A) \quad \text{or} \quad (\forall \alpha \geq \alpha_0 \quad x_\alpha \notin A)$$

III Compactness

III.1. Compactness, countable comp. and sequential comp.

Def 1) A TS (X, τ) is called compact if $\forall$ open cover of X has a finite subcover, i.e.,

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} U_\alpha = X, \quad \forall U_\alpha \text{ open} \Rightarrow \exists n \exists \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in I: \bigcup_{j=1}^n U_{\alpha_j} = X.$$

2) A subset $A \subset X$ is called compact if A is compact for the subspace topology, i.e.,

$$A \subset \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} U_\alpha \quad \forall U_\alpha \in \tau \Rightarrow \exists n \exists \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in I: A \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^n U_{\alpha_j}$$

Ex X finite or τ finite $\Rightarrow (X, \tau)$ comp.

Rem. Often one takes the Hausdorff property into the def. of compactness (for ex., Bourbaki)

Ex Let (X, τ) , τ cofinite top. Then X is comp. (why?) but not Hausdorff!

Prop. (Characterisation of compactness)

TFAE:

- (i) X is compact
- (ii) $\forall$ family $(B_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ of closed sets with $\bigcap_{\alpha \in I} B_\alpha = \emptyset$ contains a finite subfamily $(B_{\alpha_j})_{j=1}^n$ with $\bigcap_{j=1}^n B_{\alpha_j} = \emptyset$
- (iii) $\forall$ filter on X has a cluster point
- (iv) $\forall$ ultrafilter on X converges in X .

Proof (i) $\Leftrightarrow$ (ii): go to the complement exer.

(ii) $\Rightarrow$ (iii) Recall: x is a cluster point of $\mathcal{F}$ if $F \cap U \neq \emptyset \quad \forall F \in \mathcal{F} \quad \forall U \in \mathcal{O}(x)$,
i.e., $x \in \overline{F} \quad \forall F \in \mathcal{F}$.

Assume $\exists$ filter $\mathcal{F}$ without cluster point, i.e., $\bigcap_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \overline{F} = \emptyset$

By (ii), $\exists n \exists F_1, \dots, F_n \in \mathcal{F}: \bigcap_{j=1}^n \overline{F_j} = \emptyset \quad \nexists (\emptyset \in \mathcal{F})$

(iii) $\Rightarrow$ (iv) Let $\mathcal{F}$ be an ultrafilter. We know x is a cluster point of $\mathcal{F}$ implies $\exists G \supset \mathcal{F} \quad G \rightarrow x$. But $\mathcal{F}$ is maximal, so $\mathcal{F} = G \rightarrow x$.

(iv) $\Rightarrow$ (i) Assume $\exists \mathcal{U} = (U_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ an open cover without a finite subcover. Def. $\forall L \subset I$ finite

$$A_L := X \setminus \left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in L} U_\alpha \right) \neq \emptyset$$

By construction, $A_L \cap U_L = A_L \cap A_{L'} \neq \emptyset \quad \forall L, L' \text{ finite}$

so $\exists$ filter $\mathcal{F}$ with base $(A_L)_{L \subset I \text{ finite}}$.



Let $\mathcal{G}$ be an ultrafilter $\supset \mathcal{F}$. By (iv) $\exists x \in X$ with $\mathcal{G} \rightarrow x$, i.e., $\mathcal{U}(x) \in \mathcal{G}$.

Since $(\mathcal{U}_d)$ is an open cover of X , $x \in \mathcal{U}_d$ for some $d \in I$.
Then $\mathcal{U}_d \in \mathcal{G}$. But $X \setminus \mathcal{U}_d = A_{1,2} \in \mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{G} \nsubseteq \mathcal{G}$. $\blacksquare$

Cor. 1 Let X be comp. Then $\forall$ sequence $(x_n) \subset X$ / $\forall$ net $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ has a cluster point.

Proof Consider the filter $\mathcal{F}$ generated by (x_n) or $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ (i.e., $\mathcal{F} =$ all supersets of $\{x_n, x_{n+1}, \dots\}$ or $\{x_\alpha, \alpha \geq \alpha_0\}$) and use (iii) from Prop. $\exists x \in X$ cluster point for $\mathcal{F}$ respect. $\uparrow$ cluster point x if $\forall \mathcal{U} \in \mathcal{U}(x) \exists d' \geq d$ with $x_{d'} \in \mathcal{U}$

Rem. X comp. $(\Leftrightarrow) \forall$ net has cluster point exer.

Ex ($\forall$ seq. has a cluster point $\nRightarrow X$ comp.)

Consider $\{0,1\}$ with discrete top. and $X := \{0,1\}^{\mathbb{R}}$ with the product top.

Consider $A := \{x \in X : \exists \text{ count. } I \subset \mathbb{R} \text{ with } \pi_I(x) = \{0, 1\}^I \text{ at most?}\}$

Then: $\bullet \forall$ seq. in A has a cluster point in A $\uparrow$ projection onto d -th coord. $\bullet A$ not comp. exer.

Cor 2 Let X be a TS and $A \subset X$. TFAE:

(i) A comp.

(ii) $\forall$ ultrafilter $\mathcal{F}$ with $A \in \mathcal{F}$ conv. to an element of A

(iii) $\forall$ net $(x_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I} \subset A$ has cluster point in A .

Proof exer.

Ex (order topology)

Let $(X, \leq)$ be a totally ordered set with so-called order topology generated by open intervals. Assume that $\forall A \subset X$ has a supremum and an infimum in X . Then X is comp. exer.
(Hint: imitate the proof that $\{0,1\}$ is comp.)
 $\uparrow$ for $a < b$ take $(a,b) := \{c : a < c < b\}$

Prop. (a) Closed subsets of compact spaces are comp.

(b) X Hausdorff, $A \subset X$ comp. $\Rightarrow A$ closed.

Proof (a) Take (B_α) , $\forall B_\alpha$ closed, with $(B_\alpha \cap A) = \emptyset$. X comp. $\Rightarrow \exists$ finite family $B_1, \dots, B_k$: $\bigcup_{i=1}^k (B_i \cap A) = \emptyset$ $\uparrow$ closed $\cap$ A closed
(use Prop. (i) $\Leftrightarrow$ (ii))

(b) **Observation:** X Hausdorff, $A \subset X$ comp., $x \notin A$

$\Rightarrow$ one can separate x and A by open sets

Proof of observ. Choose $\forall a \in A$ $\mathcal{U}_a \in \mathcal{U}(a)$, $V_a \in \mathcal{U}(x)$ with $\mathcal{U}_a \cap V_a = \emptyset$ (Hausdorff)

$A \subset \bigcup \mathcal{U}_a$, A comp. $\Rightarrow \exists \mathcal{U}_{a_1}, \dots, \mathcal{U}_{a_n}$ a finite subcover of A . Def. $\mathcal{U} := \mathcal{U}_{a_1} \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{U}_{a_n} \supset A$, $\mathcal{U} \cap V = \emptyset$

$\uparrow$ open $\mathcal{V} := V_{a_1} \cap \dots \cap V_{a_n} \ni x$ deriv.

By the observation, $X \setminus A$ is open, i.e., A closed.

Prop. ■

Thm (Alexander's subbasis thm)

Let X be a TS with subbasis $\mathcal{S}$ of top. Then

X comp. $\Leftrightarrow \forall$ cover of X with elements from $\mathcal{S}$ has a finite subcover.

Proof $\Rightarrow$ clear

$\Leftarrow$ Assume X not comp. Then $\exists \mathcal{F}$ ultrafilter without a limit,

i.e., $\forall x \in X \exists U_x \in \mathcal{S}$ with $U_x \notin \mathcal{F}$ and $x \in U_x$.

hence $(U_x)_{x \in X}$ is a cover of X from $\mathcal{S}$, $\exists n, x_1, \dots, x_n$ with

$$X = U_{x_1} \cup \dots \cup U_{x_n}.$$

hence $\mathcal{F}$ is an ultrafilter and $U_{x_j} \notin \mathcal{F} \forall j$, we know that

$$X \setminus U_{x_j} \in \mathcal{F} \forall j \Rightarrow \bigcap_{j=1}^n (X \setminus U_{x_j}) \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow (\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}) \quad \blacksquare$$

$$\text{filter } \bigcap_{j=1}^n (X \setminus U_{x_j}) = \emptyset$$

Ex $[a, b]$ with natural (=order) topology is comp.

take subbasis of intervals $[a, c), (c, b]$ for $c \in [a, b]$

check: $\forall$ cover by such intervals has a subcover of 1 or 2 elements (exam.)



Ex ($A \subset X$ comp $\not\Rightarrow A$ closed)

Let $X := [-1, 1]$ and consider the equiv. relation

$$x \sim y \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x = \pm y & \text{for } x \neq \pm 1 \\ x = y & \text{for } x = \pm 1 \end{cases}$$



then $\tilde{X} := X/\sim$ satisfies.

with 'quotient top. ($A \subset \tilde{X}$ is open $\Leftrightarrow \pi^{-1}(A) \subset X$ is open, $\pi: X \rightarrow \tilde{X}$)



$\tilde{X} \setminus \{1\}$ is a comp. neighb. of $[-1]$, but it is not closed.

(anal. for $\tilde{X} \setminus \{-1\} = \{1\} \cup \{1\} = \{1\}$)

$\{1\}$ is not open because $\{1\}$ is not open in $[-1, 1]$

To show comp., let $\mathcal{U}$ be an open cover of $\tilde{X} \setminus \{1\}$, then $\pi^{-1}(\mathcal{U})$ is an open cover of $[-1, 1)$ and hence also of $[-1, 0]$. $[-1, 0]$ comp. $\Rightarrow \exists$ finite subcover of $\pi^{-1}(\mathcal{U})$, say $\pi^{-1}(U_1), \dots, \pi^{-1}(U_n)$. Then $U_1, \dots, U_n$ cover $\tilde{X} \setminus \{1\}$. (exam.): which points from $\tilde{X} \setminus \{1\}$ cannot be sep. by open sets

Prop. (Continuous images of comp. spaces are comp.)

X, Y TS. Then $\left. \begin{matrix} X \text{ comp.} \\ f: X \rightarrow Y \text{ continuous} \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow f(X) \text{ is comp.}$

in part., continuous fcts: $X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ for comp. X attain their maximum and minimum.

proof Let $(U_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$ be an open cover of $f(X)$. hnce $(f^{-1}(U_\alpha))_{\alpha \in I}$ is an open cover of X and X is comp., $\exists$ finite subcover

$(f^{-1}(U_{\alpha_j}))_{j=1}^n$, so $(U_{\alpha_j})_{j=1}^n$ is a finite subcover of $f(X)$.

"in part.": $f(X) \subset \mathbb{R}$ is comp. $\Rightarrow$ closed and bdd. (Hausdorff) Take an open cover $\{(-N, N)\}_{N=1}^\infty$

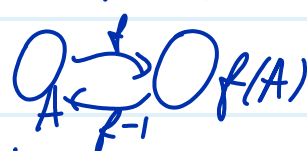
Bdd $\Rightarrow \exists \sup f(X)$, hnce $f(X)$ is closed, $\sup f(X) \in f(X)$ (the same with inf)

Cor let X be comp., Y Hausdorff and $f: X \rightarrow Y$ continuous

and biject. Then f is a homeomorphism, i.e., $f^{-1}: Y \rightarrow X$ is also cont.

Proof We show: preimages under f^{-1} of closed sets are closed.
Let $A \subset X$ closed. Then $(f^{-1})^{-1}(A) = f(A)$, and

$f(A)$ is comp. (if cont., $A \text{ closed} \Rightarrow A \text{ comp.}$)
 Y Hausdorff $\Rightarrow f(A) \subset Y$ is closed. comp.



Thm (Tychonoff)

Let $(X_d)_{d \in I}$ be a family of TS. Then

$$X := \prod_{d \in I} X_d \text{ is comp.} \Leftrightarrow \forall X_d \text{ comp.}$$

Recall: product top. is generated by cylinder sets of the form: $OD A_1 OD A_2 \dots$

Proof $\Rightarrow$ Let X be comp. Since the projections $\pi_d: X \rightarrow X_d$ are cont. (why?), $\pi_d(X) = X_d$ is comp.

$\Leftarrow$ Let $\mathcal{F}$ be an ultrafilter on X . Consider for $d \in I$ the image filter $\pi_d \mathcal{F} := \{ \text{supersets of } \pi_d(F), F \in \mathcal{F} \}$

- $\pi_d(\mathcal{F})$ is ultrafilter on X_d

(if it is not maximal $\rightarrow$ the preimage filter $\mathcal{F}$ also not maximal)

- X_d comp. $\Rightarrow \exists X_d \in \pi_d \mathcal{F}$ with $\pi_d(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow X_d$.

We show: $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow X := (X_d)_{d \in I}$.

it suffices to show: $\forall U \in \mathcal{V}(X)$ from a nebban's of product top.
sets of form $\pi_d^{-1}(U_d)$

Take $U := \pi_d^{-1}(U_d)$ for some d , U_d open in X_d with $X \in U$, i.e., $X_d \in U_d$. Then:

- $U \in \mathcal{V}(X)$

- $U_d \in \pi_d(\mathcal{F})$ since $\pi_d(\mathcal{F}) \rightarrow X_d$, i.e.,

$\exists F \in \mathcal{F}$ with $U_d = \pi_d(F)$

$\Leftrightarrow U = \pi_d^{-1}(U_d) = \pi_d^{-1}(\pi_d(F)) \supset F$,

i.e., $U \in \mathcal{F}$.

so $\mathcal{F} \rightarrow X$, i.e., X is comp. ■

